Security Measures adopted by Government in and around Hazratbal Shrine

1740. SHRI SAURIN BHATTACHARYA: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) the present prevailing state of affairs in and around Hazratbal Shrine and security measures adopted by Government;

(b) whether it is a fact that Government machinery has been failing to tackle rising number of militants; and

(c) if so, the facts and details thereof?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI RAJESH PILOT): (a) Since the surrender of the militants holed up inside the Hazratbal Shrine on 15/16.11.93, the situation in and around the Shrine has remained by and large peaceful. After the vacation of the Shrine by the militants and others holed up inside, the Army cordon around the Shrine was completely lifted by 17/18.11.93. Instead, the J&K Police has been deployed inside the complex and security force pickets have been established in the area to ensure the security of the Shrine and prevent recurrence of militant and criminal activities there.

(b) No, Sir.

(c) Does not arise.

Fencing of Meghalaya-Bangladesh Border

1741. SHRI G.G. SWELL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) what is the length of the Meghalaya-Bangladesh border that is going to be fenced;

(b) the amount earmarked for the purpose;

(c) the distance of the fence from the zero point international boundary;

(d) the acreage of people's lands that will thus be alienated;

(e) whether compensation will be paid to the people for their losses;

(f) the amount of compensation envisaged;

(g) whether consent of the Government of Meghalaya has been obtained for commencement of fencing; and

(h) the probable period for the commencement?

THE MINISTER OF STATE IN THE MINISTRY OF HOME AFFAIRS (SHRI P.M. SAYEED): (a) 231 Kms.

(b) Rs. 41.18 crores.

(c) Fence has to be erected at a minimum distance of 150 yards away from the zero point.

(d) Approximately 285.40 acres are likely to be fenced-out; but they will continue to be a part of India in all respects.

(e) Compensation is being paid for acquisition of land in accordance with the assessment done by District authorities.

(f) Rs. 93.90 lakhs (approximately).

(g) Yes, Sir.

(h) The work is already in progress since October/November, 1991.

Myanmar Governments observations regarding Naga-Kuki clashes

1742. SHRI G.G. SWELL: Will the Minister of HOME AFFAIRS be pleased to state:

(a) whether Government are aware of the press reports that the President of the Kuki National Organisation, Hanglen, a Myanamarese national said at Moreh, Manipur that the aim of his organisation was to have the Chin Hills of Myanmar in habited by Kukis is secede from Myanmar;